# FOCHT WANTS

New Head of House District Committee Urges Harmony Among Civic Factions.

"The District of Columbia, as the seat of National Government, is about to come into its own at last," Congressman Benjamin K. Focht of Pennsylvania, next chairman of the House District Committee predicted today. "Washington is on the threshold of a new era of prosperity that will witness the fulfillment of long neglected pledges of civic improvements, a closer co-operation be-tween the local government and Con-

PLANS TO ACCEPT.

Mr. Focht let it be known definite ly today that he would accept the chairmanship of the District commit-

His annovacement is by way of hearty indors ment of the new District Commissioners, Cuno H.Rudolph and Capt James F. Oyster, as practical minded, but less-like administrators of District affairs.

Congressman ocht made no secret Charle The lows:

ship of the District committee until sioners would represent the desires of ants, auditor, automobile licenses, the people of Washington for a busi-ness administration. Consolidation of Washington's

two street car systems and lower street car fares," is Congressman Focht's hope for the first achievement during the forthcoming special session of Congress that convenes April 11.

EADUSTMENT NEEDED. He believes that one of the most

irgent needs of readjustment in the District is lower rates for public utilities, and expressed the desire that the cases now in dispute would be speedily settled in a way that would afford the people of the District long-sought relief.

Congressman Focht sees no necesstreet railway situation. He believes that the two bills already reported from the District Committees of the I merger of the principal companies by making it legal for the Washington Railway and Electric Company to absorb the Potomac Electric Power Company. Lower rates are bound to follow the consolidation of the two street car systems, he declares, when the Washington Railway and Electric Company is put on a financial basis that would warrant a merger with the more prosperous Capital Traction

Looking shead into the regular ses sion of Congress when District affairs will receive far more attention than during the coming special session prosperity dawning upon Washing- Exalted Ruler Howard M. Peter

IMPROVEMENTS ESSENTIAL.

between the civic and business interests of the city and the Commissioners.

Focht seeks the closest kind of friendly co-operation between the District Commissioners and the House District Commissioners and the House PARLEY ECCLES HEADS at all times to seek their counsel. He declared he believed that Congress was prepared to deal generously with the District, but at the same time he ex-pected the people here to harmonize their differences more than they have ione in the past.

## CRANDALL TREATER STOCKHOLDERS ELECT

of the Crandall Theater Company was held in the office of Harry M. Crandall, president, in the Metropolitan Theater building yesterday afternoon.
Officers were elected as follows:
Harry M. Crandall, president; A. E.
Beitzel, vice president; Harry Bulkley, secretary, and R. W. Bulkley,

treasurer.
The following board of directors also was designated: Harry M. Crandall, A. E. Beitzel, Harry Bulkley, R. W. Bulkley, P. A. Drury and C. C. Calhoun, by re-election; William Henry White, Nelson B. Bell and Frits D. Hoffman, newly elected.

SONG SALE FOR THE BENEFIT "THE BRADLEY FUND"

Widow of the Slain Policeman" For Sale at All Leading Musical Houses of Washington "Dreamy Dream Girl"

Words and music by "Wallace Gardner," Washington song writer. Mr. Gardner has arranged to give One-Third of the receipts of this sale to the fund of Mrs. Bradley. Here are a few stores where you can hear this beau-tiful song:

E. F. Droop's, Arthur Jordan's, The Song Shop and Robinson's NOW ON SALE 30c

# STEP UP, GIRLS, LINE FORMS ON THE RIGHT

"Here is good news for the ladies—a real opportunity for some lonely soul," declares B. Schwarts, medical department, Walter Reed General Hospital, in a letter to the Internationa

News Service today. "I promise to marry any good-hearted woman (up to the age of thirty-five) who will give me a college education," Schwartz wrote. "However, I reserve the right of choice. I am twentyered good looking. At present lam in the United States Army

Rudolph to Supervise Same Of fices As in Former Term As Commissioner.

Commissioner James F. Oyster will

tee to succeed Congressman Carl E. police, fire and health departments, Mapes of Michigan, who goes to the committee on Interstate and Foreign ing of the Board of District Commissioners. Commissioner Rudolph will assume

charge of those offices which he diwhen he was Commissioner from 1910 to '913 No changes were made in the de-

partments allotted to Commissioner Charles W. Kutz. The allotment of departments fol-

Mr. Rudolph-Assessor and assistcollector of taxes, corporation counficer, reformatory, taxes, workhouse, charities, child labor, board of children's guardians, eight-hour law for females, drainage of lots. Home for the Aged and Infirm, industrial home schools for white and colored, insane, minimum wage board, municipal Home for the Aged and Infirm, playgrounds and Washington Asylum. Mr. Oyster-Fire department, har-

bor master, public library, National Training School for Boys, police department, surgeons of the police and of veterinary medicine, veterinary surgeon, alienists, anatomical board, beach, Columbia Hospital, board of dental examiners. House and Senate pave the way for a druggist to the poor, physician to the poor, fish wharf and market, in spection of flour and food, Garfield Hospital, health office, board of medical examiners, board of medical supervisors, morgue, nurses' examinpound. Providence Hospital, and su perintendent of weights, measures

## **33 NEW ELKS RIDE GOAT** AT INITIATION CEREMONY

Welcomes Large Class.

"The people of the country, and through them the Congress, want to see Washington expand and develop into the great city that it should become as the Capital of the Nation."

Thirty-three new members "rode the goat" last night at the Washington Lodge of Elks. This class was one of the largest initiations of the year. More than 600 Elks witnessed the ceremonies. Exalted Ruler How-

Mr. Focht said.
"What is needed here is more of the Abe Dressner, chairman of the en-

tions. The time has come now when these shall be fulfilled and when sufficient money will be spent in city improvements where they are needed, Donald, Roland Wallace, F. A. Royse, Donald, Roland Wallace, F. A. Royse

## **UTAH STATE SOCIETY**

Growth of the judiciary departments of the Federal Government was discussed last night at a meet-ing of the Utah State Society at the the Wilson Normal School. Officers were elected as follows: Parley Eccles, president; Mrs. M. Reese, vice president; George Neilson, corresponding secretary; J. Hinkley, recording secretary; W. J. Rommey, treasurer.

The executive committee consists of Scott Dahiquish and Messra. Ericson, Colton and King, Mrs. Arthur Mc-Gregor, Mrs. Burch L. Dorton and Miss Alice Edwards.

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Community Organizations Invited by Claxton to Conference Beginning April 21.

A national conference of community centers has been called by Philander C. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education, with the co-operation of the Community Organization Board, to meet here April 21, 22 and 23. Evening sessions will be held in the auditorium of the Central High School April 21 and 22 and morning and afternoon sessions. in the Thomson School

directly supervise the work of the on the Community Center is called to and proved successful in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, in bringing the people together for acquaintance, mutual instruction, discussion, co-operation and for entertainment.

Mr. Claxton believes that such organization of communities with the schoolhouse as the center can be made useful in cutting down election and pre-election expenses; in reducing costs of distribution and promoting bursing officer, dog tags, employment agencies, superintendent of insurance, jail, licehaes, chairman of school equipment available for exten sion education, effective Americaniza creased usefulness as the citizens in the local communities may determine.

President Harding Designates Anniversary of Armistice for Nation's Tribute.

be bestowed upon any servant of the United States, the body of an un- Father John McNamara, that it has cemetery next Armistice Day.

announcement yesterday. The actual last Monday. lecision in the matter was made by President Harding, it was stated. whether the ceremony should take nounced that the debt was cleared. place on Memorial Day or on the He had come from St. Patrick's anniversary of the signing of the Church, appointed by the Cardinal to Armistice, the matter was put up to the pastorate last September to start the President. He decided in favor a new church among the people at

of Armistice Day. The body of the unknown hero will afrive on a specially-assigned ship when the enthusiastic young priest early in November. The flag draped went out to survey the site for the

the new members. The St. Mary's Industrial School Boys' Band played and OAKLAND, Md., March 17.—Trues-of Maryland. Monsegnor Mackin, of dustrial School Boys' Band played and Judge Robert E. Mattingly gave the fulling against each other. It is time to put theories as:de in the handling of local affairs, and I am glad that two practical business men have been appointed Commissioners.

"There is a great deal to be done in the District of Columbia in the way of civic improvement. During the war it was necessary to neglect many developments, many needed appropriations. The time has come now when the district of the civic improvement of the civic improvement of the civic improvement of the civic improvement of the civic improvement. During the war it was necessary to neglect many developments, many needed appropriations. The time has come now when the civic improvement of the

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## What's Doing; When; Where

Automobile Show—Convention Hall.
Meeting—Civic section, Women's City
lub, 23 Jackson place, 2 p. m. Meeting-President's Own Garrison, N. G. A. R. Hall, 1412 Pennsylvania av Meeting — Parent-Teacher Association, incoin School, \$:30 p. m.

Meeting—Prisoners' Aid Society, Knick-rbocker Theater, Eighteenth street and Columbia road, 3:30 p. m. Address Postmaster General Hays to employee of Postoffice Department, 2 p. m. Meeting—Committee on charities and corrections, Board of Trade, 4 p. m. Sermon-Dr. Henry Allen Tupper, First Septiet Church, Sixteenth and O streets,

and 22 and morning and afternoon sessions, in the Thomson School Center April 22 and 23.

PURPOSE OF CONFERENCE

Commissioned Claxton said yesterday that: "The National Conference on the Community Center is called to promote throughout the country the adoption of the consistent method of community center development which has been promoted by the Bureau of Education and which has been tested and proved successful in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, in

Meeting—American Committee for Relief in Ireland, \$ p. m.
Luncheon—Kiwanis Club, Washington Hotel, 12:30 p. m.
Meeting—Washington State-Alaska Society, Thomson School, Twelfth and Latreets northwest, \$ p. m.
Entertainment — Padrisc H. Pearse branch, Friends of Irish Freedom, Typographical Temple, 423 G street northwest, "Irish Night"—Woman's City Club, 22 Jackson pl., \$ p. m.
Dinner—California Single Tax Society, Ebbitt Hotel, 6:30 p. m.
Dance—Delta Theta Phi Fraternity, Georgetown Law School, 1 Dupont Circle, 9 p. m.

p. m. Dance—Phia Alpha Delta Fraternity, Georgetown Law School, 1715 Massachusetts avenue, 9 p. m. Dance—Gamma Eta Gamma Fraternity, Georgetown Law School, 1719 Connecticut Ahnual Dance—Columbus Country Club, Rauscher's, Connecticut avenue and L street northwest, 9 p. m.

Tomorrow Autémobile Show—Convention Hail.
Rehearsal—Spanish War Veteran Band.
1219 New York avenue northwest, \$ p. m.
Meeting—Washington section, Society of
Automotive Engineers, Cosmos Club, \$

Automotive Engineers, Cosmos Club, 8 p. m.
Luncheon—Alumni of Western Maryland College, Ebbitt Hotel, 12:36 p. m.
Illustrated Lecture—"The American Indian." Thomas L. Sloan, Hamlin M. E. Church, 8 p. m.
Meeting—W. B. Cushing Camp, Sons of Union Veterans, Pythian Temple, 1012 Ninth Street northwest, 8 p. m.
Exhibition Drill—Cavalry at Fort Myer, 3 p. m. and 8 p. m. Exhibition Drill—Cavalry at Fort Myer, 3 p. m. and 8 p. m.

Meeting—Padriac H. Pearse Council, American Association for Recognition of Irish Republic, 601 E street, 5 p. m.

Meeting—Washington Chapter, American Society for Steel Treating, Bureau of Standards, 8 p. m.

Relief Campaign—American committee for relief in Ireland, 10 a. m.

Entertainment — Southeast Community Center, auditorium Eastern High School, 2 p. m.

## Little Frame Church Has History Rivalling One in "Evangeline

You have probably read about those little country churches ton, Mass., is another city, he de-Arcadie, with sweet clematis vines growing over them-the rough-hewn altars. You have read about them in poetry, of the villagers going to mass in white aprons, of the bashful swains, and the cow in the road.

(they called him Pere), walked down to the village of Arcadie, in his black robe, and petted the children's cheeks

on the way?
Well, Washington has one of these little country churches, that the poets sing about, thriving in the midst of the grand edifices, with high steeples and limousines drawing up to the en-

trances every Sunday.
Out in Petworth, right in the shadow of Libbey Woods, stands a little frame church. It is a proud little church, for it has just announced to the cardinal in Baltimore, through cleared a debt of \$50.000 in one year. The drive started last April 16, and ended last Monday when the pastor, Father McNamara, presented the note Secretary of War Weeks made this of cancelation to Cardinal Gibbons

parishioners of St. Gabriel's-that's When the question arose as to it name—when Father McNamara an-Petworth.

casket will be placed on a special new church. The location was right train and carried to Washington, in the center of Libbey Woods. First Stops will be made in each city en he had the site cleared and the giant trees, birches and pines were cut spirit of co-operation between the tertainment committee, presided at a District Commissioners and Congress, dinner which was given in honor of D. C. Man Buys \$62,000 Estate Columbus he obtained an obsolete That was the beginning of

Remember "Evangeline," by Henry Gabriel's Church. Today the church Wadsworth Longfellow? Do you remember how the reverened father is like a thriving village church. The pastor is seen walking about neighborhood in his black robes, talking to the parishioners just like the priests of Arcadie. And the church looked like a little country church, standing on a cleared space of 200 acres, against a background of wood-

"It took me twenty-five years to raise as much money as St. Gabriel' Church has raised in one year, Father Mackin told St. Gabriel's parish Sunday services. "It was through the enthusiasm o my flock that it was possible," replied Father McNamara.

Nature Study Exhibit. An exhibition of the nature study department of the tenth to the thirteenth divisions of the Washington public schools will be held March 21 to 24 at the Armstrong School, and P streets northwest.

Gravson Signs Contract For 40 Lectures to Begin Next Fall. The lyceum lecture platform has

It was announced today that Rear Admiral Cary T. Grayson, physician to Presidents Roosevelt, Taft, and Wilson, has signed a contract for a lecture tour next fall to cover about forty cities.

claimed another man in the public

C. Wright Files Amended Petition Urging Cut in Rate for Children.

Renewed efforts to have the Public Utilities Commission grant halffare rates to school children were begun today with the filing of an amended petition by J. C. Wright, 514 T street northwest, one of the leaders in the movement.

SEES HOPE IN NEW HEADS. With the placing of two new Com issioners on the board, Mr. Wright believes that the requests made by Applicants for Elementary Exthe various citizens' associations and other civic organizations of Washington for a reduced fare for school children will receive careful consideration by the new Commissioners. "Because of the prevailing opinion that the Public Utilities Commission has ample authority to grant lower fares for the school children, I again request that the Commission grant be under forty years of age, and that sioners. Charles A. Ryon, president half fares to the school children of all those taking the high school exoft the board, however, declared that Washington," said Mr. Wright today. Last September the Public Utilities ission declared that it did not have authority to establish special

rates for school children. FIGURES ARE CITED. In his new petition Mr. Wright gives figures showing that the city Washington, which has a carfare rate of 7 cents, has a special rate for school children of only 3 cents. Bosclares, that transports the pupils of the public schools at a reduced rate. he says, that the fare for school chil-dren "shall not exceed one-half the regular fare" charged for the transportation of other passengers.

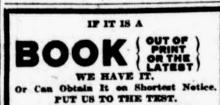
"It is earnestly hoped that the new Commissioners will favorably con-sider the justice of this appeal and grant half fare to the helpless school children of Washington in going to and from school in the street cars,

U. S. Peace Ideals Highest. Arthur Deerin Call, secretary of

address before the District Society, Sons of the American Revolution, at the Franklin Square Hotel last night, said that America has always held out to the world the highest ideals of peace and that the rest of the universe turns to the United States for

Dr. Wilfley Speaks Tonight. The Rev. Earle Wilfley will speak on "The Human Jesus" tonight in the series of Lenten revival meet-

ings in process at the Vermont Avmen's night and the Everyman Bible Class will participate. Prof. F. M. Carlton, of Kentucky, will sing. 4 LOCAL



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## St. Patrick's Day March 17, 1921

The emerald shroud in grief today! The harp in mourning

drape! on Old Ireland's shamrock hang A mournful badge of crepe!

-P. J. R.

aminations Must Be Under Forty Years Old.

The Board of Education yesterday ruled that all persons who take the those growing tobacco examination for teachers for kindergarten and elementary classes must be under forty years of age, and that gioners. Charles A. Ryon, president amination be under forty-five years. he believed whatever action the Com-It was decided it would be unfair missioners took on the budget would to the present force of teachers to be satisfactory to all hands concernpermit older persons to become teach- ed. ers and receive the benefits of the retirement law after only a few years house at Upper Marlboro, was at-

Miss A. M. Goding, principal of the abolition of the rule requiring stunormal schools to sign a graduation. On motion of Mrs. Susie Root Rhodes the suggestion was

Dr. Thwing Speaks to Alumni. There is a scarcity of competent in-structors in the universities in the United States, Dr. Charles F. Thwing. president of Western Reserve Uni versity, told members of the alumni of the school at a dinner last night at the University Club. Dr. Thwing discussed the problems that are facing the schools of higher education in the country. At a short business meeting the following efficers were elected: A. B. Bushnell, of Forest Glen, Md., president; Mrs. Myrtle Pierson, College Park, Md., vice pres ident; Walker S. Buel, of Washington, secretary.

# STIRS COUNT

Prince George's Budget Strikes Snag When Farmers Oppose New Taxes.

Hearing on the school budget for Prince George's county before the county commissioners yesterday at Upper Mariboro was enlivened with heated discussion for and against

the budget.
That the schools of the county in Elementary Ex-

HARDSHIP TO FARMERS. On the other hand, it was pointed out that any increase in taxes due to the adoption of the budget would mean embarrassment and financial hardship to farmers, particularly

After several hours discussion, the meeting was closed without any de-

The hearing, held in the courttended by representatives of all of the districts of the county. One of Wilson Normal School, suggested the the ardent supperters of the budget was Helen Cardozo, representing the Federation of Colored Women Clubs, pledge to teach for two years after She declared that she spoke for \$00 colored mothers in the county, further saying that because of the in-adequate school conditions more than 500 colored children were being deprived of an education. The budget was prepared by the county board of education. The di-

vision of sentiment between the

lower or agricultural section of the

county and the more thickly upper

districts was pronounced. Thirty civic and other organizations were represented. ASKS \$258,265.

E. S. Burroughs, superintendent of county schools, explained in detail the various items of the budget. The total asked in the budget for the management of the schools is \$258,-(Continued on page 16, column 2.)

## Here's What I Mean by Good, Right-Priced Meats for Friday and Saturday

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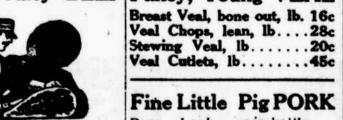
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Plate Beef, only, per lb..10c Compound, lard substi-Lean Pork Chops, lb....23c

Chuck Roast, Ib......16c Fresh Shoulders, Ib......20c Hamburger Steak, lb.....16c Smoked Shoulders, 4 to 6 Round Steak, 1b........28c Fresh Spare Ribs, 1b.....18c Sirloin Steak, lb........30c Bean Pork or Fat Back,

L-A-M-B

Porterhouse Steak, lb....33c lb.............15c

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